

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Inventorship: ..... Christensen et al.  
Applicant: ..... Microsoft Corporation  
Confirmation No: ..... 8719  
Group Art Unit: ..... 2164  
Examiner: ..... Sathyanaraya R. Pannala  
Attorney's Docket No.: ..... MS1-1863US  
Title: ..... System and Method for Message-Level Connection Management

RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 2, 2008

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Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated December 2, 2008 and the telephone interview dated February 4, 2009, in connection with the above-identified application, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Fees will be paid by credit card through the EFS Web; however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency of fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Number 12-0769.